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Lewis Snyder Farm 5246 Carroll Warehime Road Lineboro (Vicinity)

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The interior has had slight modifications. The interior layout is a three-cell plan with modified central passage between the new and old buildings. The log section is

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divided laterally by a northeast to southwest wall. The northwest cell which has the exterior door, was originally divided into two unequal rooms by a wall that ran northwest to southeast.

The back room was narrow. The front room has a brick chimney, but no fireplace. There is a kitchen fireplace in the basement, under the central cell, that probably used this flue. The stairs are enclosed and are placed against the northeast wall, spanning both the central and northwest cells. The entrance up to the second story is from the northwest cell, and to the basement is from the center cell.

The brick addition has a central enclosed stair in the modified passage that separates it from the center cell. This narrow passage has an external door to the front and interior doors to the central and southeast cells, but since the stairs are enclosed, there is no passage along side them to the rear of the building. The southeast cell contains a fireplace and flue for a kitchen fireplace that was originally in the basement. There is a built-in closet in the south corner of the room. The flat window frames in this section have a beaded interior edge.

Northeast of the house is a one-story summer kitchen with sawn and nailed wood frame on a stone foundation and vertical board wood siding. It has a gable roof with wood shingles 6"x24" with 9" weather. The building is one bay by two bays, with a vertical board wood door on the southeast gable end and an interior brick fireplace with iron kettle rollers on the opposite northwest end. Both sides have two 8-over-8 double hung wood sash.

South of the house is a one-seat privy with vertical tongue and groove beaded edge and center wood siding and a shed roof with corrugated metal. The south elevation has a vertical tongue and groove board door with no beading.

Northwest of the house and in line with it is a banked barn with a ramp on the southwest side and forebay on the northeast. It has a rubble stone foundation with a horizontal board wall under the forebay. This wall has seven doors, which were originally vertical board dutch doors on strap hinges, several of which have been replaced recently. Between the doors are five wood louvered vents placed high up on the wall. The third and fourth doors are set close together, without sufficient space for a vent.

The plan of the first story has a hay mow on each end and one in the center, with two threshing floors. The first story of the barn has vertical wood siding, much of it new. The southwest elevation has projecting end sheds, the left one containing the remains of a granary. There are two sets of double doors, the left pair has one door

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missing and the other is rebuilt and has strap hinges. The barn has a gable roof with corrugated metal roofing. There are several 6 light sash, probably reused from the house, that were placed in the barn when it was re-sided. The northeast elevation has two pairs of double doors at the ends of the two threshing floors, placed opposite the large wagon doors on the southwest elevation. Inside the barn on a threshing floor wall are carved the initials "R.L.H.," "C.E.H.," and "W.L.L.?".

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Historic Period Themes: Architecture, Agriculture

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Significance

Chronological/Development Period: Industrial/Urban Dominance Resource Types: Small Family Farmsteads, Rural Vernacular

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The following year's tax assessment noted that a brick house stood on the property, which was now worth \$2,327.00 exclusive of livestock and furnishings. The value of his livestock, \$113.00, shows that he was a small farmer, yet his furnishings were of considerable value for the time, at \$88.00. The 1860 census may help to explain

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this. In it Snyder is listed as a 37 year old farmer living in Manchester District with his wife Lydia (age 35). Both had been born in Pennsylvania. Thus Snyder was only 28 when he purchased his farm, and had only been working it for one year when he was assessed. This was hardly enough time to acquire much livestock. The considerable value of the furnishings may be explained by the fact that a John Snyder (age 68) and Catherine Snyder (age 75) were living with Lewis and Lydia Snyder. The elder Snyders, presumably his parents, were both born in Germany. In 1860 the real estate was worth \$3,000.00 and personal property worth \$1,000.00. By the 1866 tax assessment, which notes that there was a flame barn on the 123 acre farm, the value of the property had jumped to \$6,150.00 and livestock was now worth \$488.00. In addition, Snyder had farm machinery worth \$105.00 and carriages worth another \$100.00, among other things.

The 1862 map of Carroll County does not show a house at the location where the current house stands, and shows Lewis Snyder living further southeast of the site. Thus there are two possible explanations for when the current house was constructed. In either scenario, the log house beneath the brick case probably was built by John Shauck or one of the Klinefelters as a tenant house. This was a common practice of large landowners. In the first scenario, Snyder immediately enlarges his house in 1851 (which would be necessary if his parents were coming to live with him) and encases it with brick. A study of brick-cased log houses in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, found that many were encased in brick in the 1850's, some as many as 30-40 years after the log house had been built, and some in conjunction with new additions. In this scenario the 1862 map would have Snyder's house located in the wrong position. In the second case, the 1862 map could be correct, the brick house mentioned in 1852 could have been a small one elsewhere on his property, and Snyder could have enlarged and encased the log house between 1862 and 1866. This would explain the great jump in the value of the farm in the 1866 tax assessment. Though this was in the midst of the Civil War, there are other instances of brick houses being constructed at the time in this area. In either scenario, the whole purpose of encasing a log house with brick was to dress up a house at much less cost than building a new brick house. Only one other example is known to survive in the northeast section of the County. The barn and summer kitchen were probably built by 1866 as well, and were laid out on the typical linear farm plan. Of particular note are the projecting sheds on the ramp side of the barn, one of which was the granary. These are rather rare, though not unknown.

The property does show up in the right location in the 1877 map of Carroll County. The 1876 assessment suggests that Snyder's operation was smaller than ten years previously. He had two horses, five cattle, and four hogs for a value of \$274.00. His two-story brick dwelling was worth \$550.00 and the frame barn and other out

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buildings \$500.00. The decline can probably be explained by the likelihood that Snyder's parents had died and some of his children had moved away to start farms and families of his own (no doubt with his support) as well as the general economic decline of the early 1870's. The property remained in the Snyder family at least until 1941. There were no other changes listed to the property through the 1910 assessment.

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Major Bibliographical References CARR-1308 Survey No. Carroll County Land Records Census Records 1862 & 1877 Maps Carroll County Tax Assessments, 1852, 1866, 1876, 1876-96, 1896-1910 **Geographical Data** Acreage of nominated property 2.984 a. Quadrangle name <u>Lineboro</u> 1:24000 Quadrangle scale UTM References do NOT complete UTM references Zone Verbal boundary description and justification List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries state code county code state code county code Form Prepared By name/title Ken Short, Historic Planner organization Carroll County Planning Department June 20, 1992 date 225 N. Center Street (410) 876-4544 street & number telephone city or town Westminster Maryland state The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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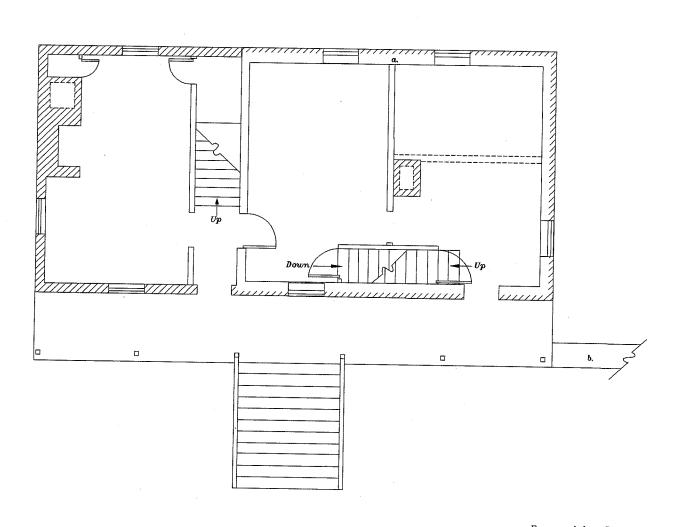
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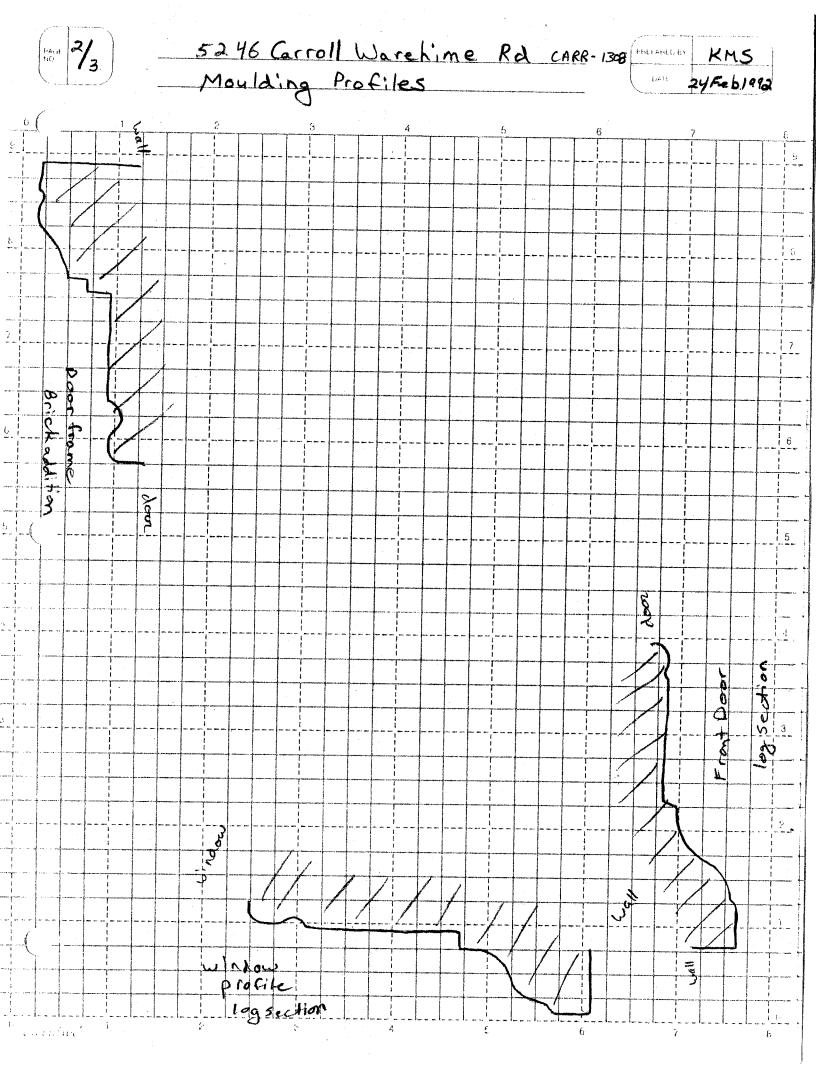
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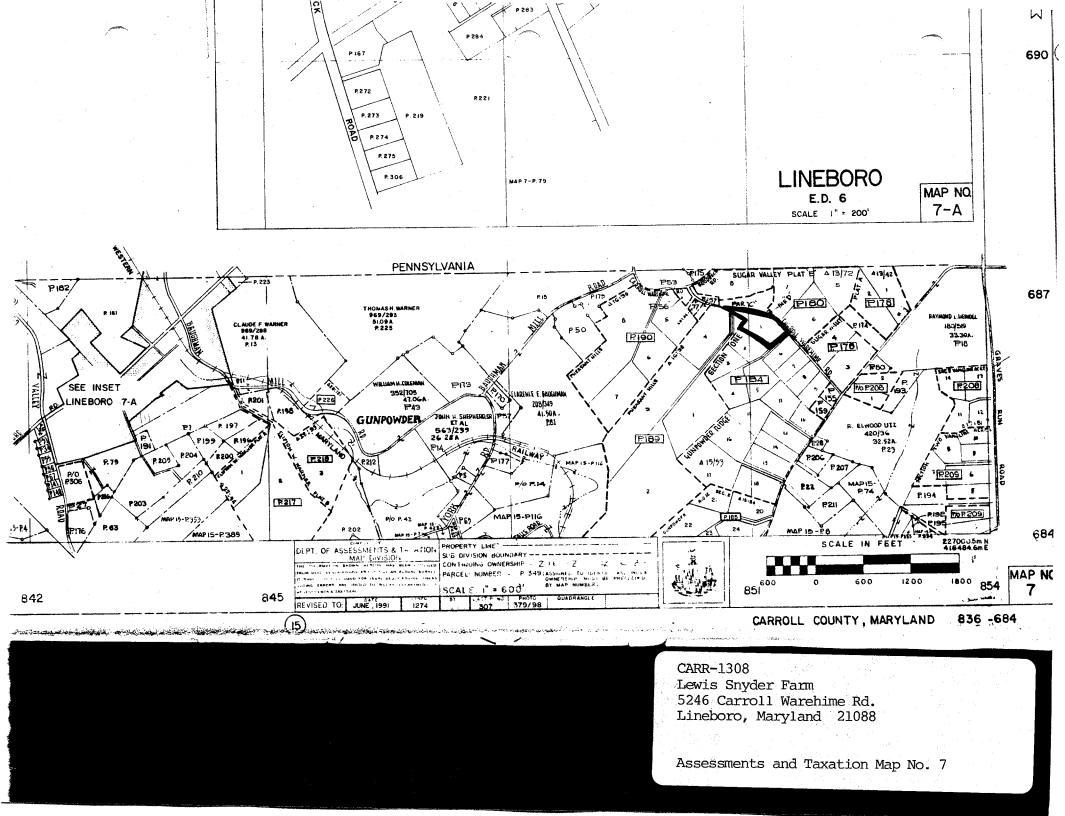
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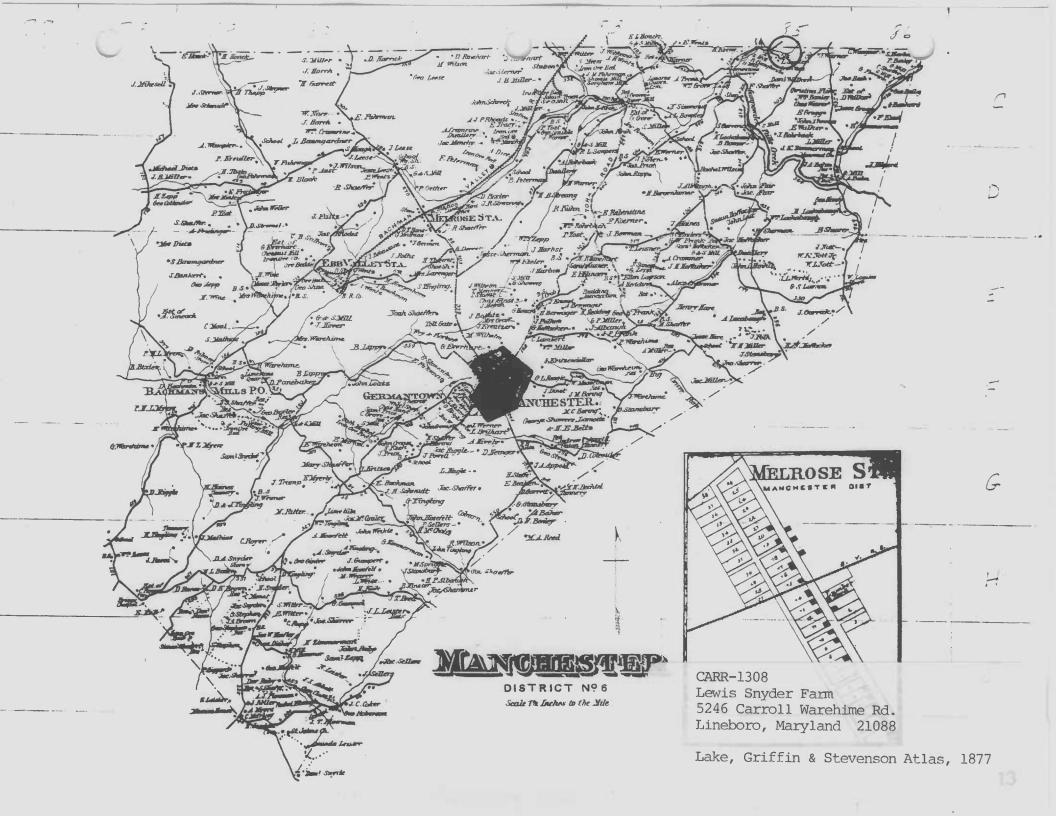
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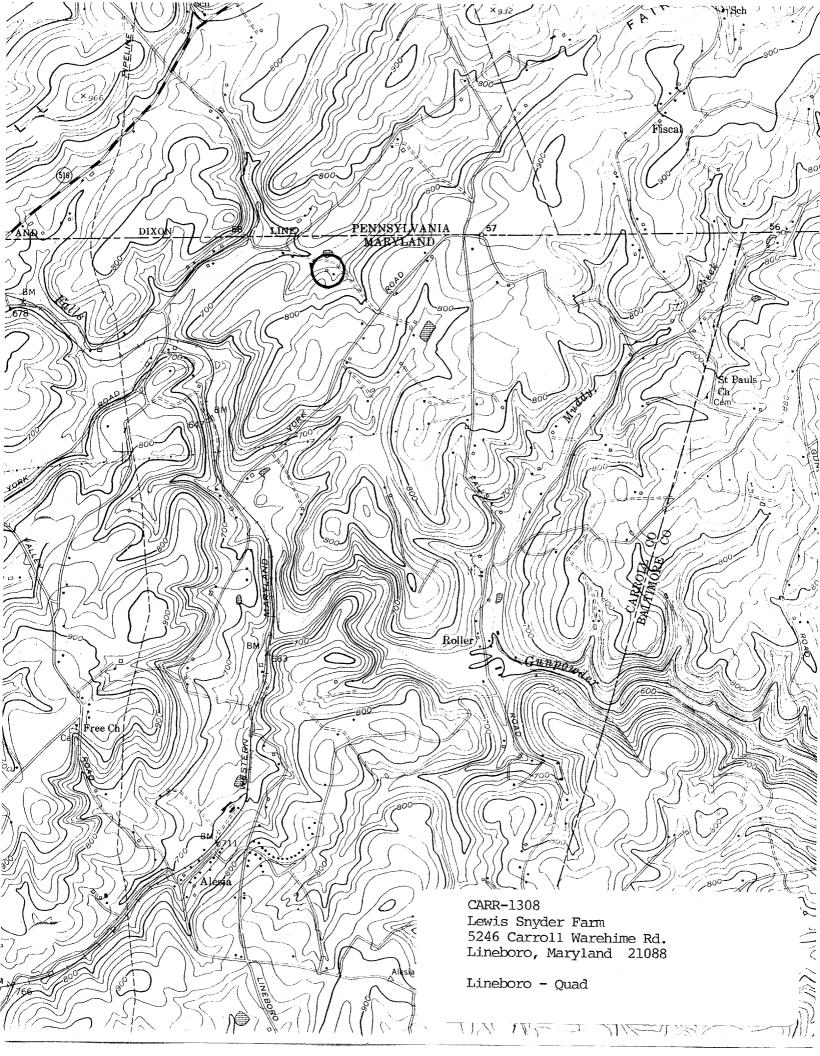


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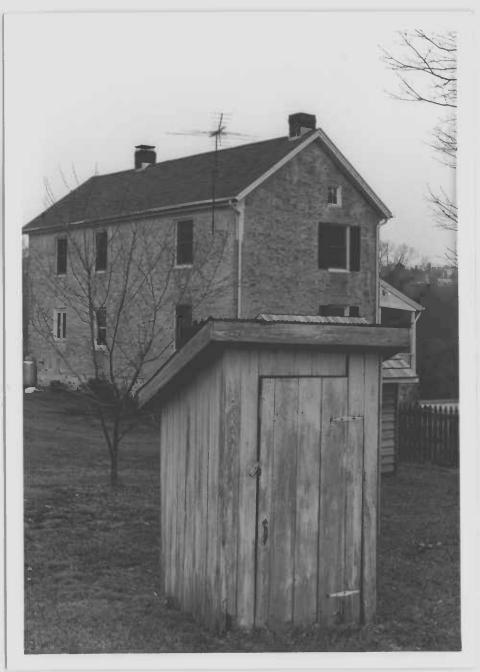








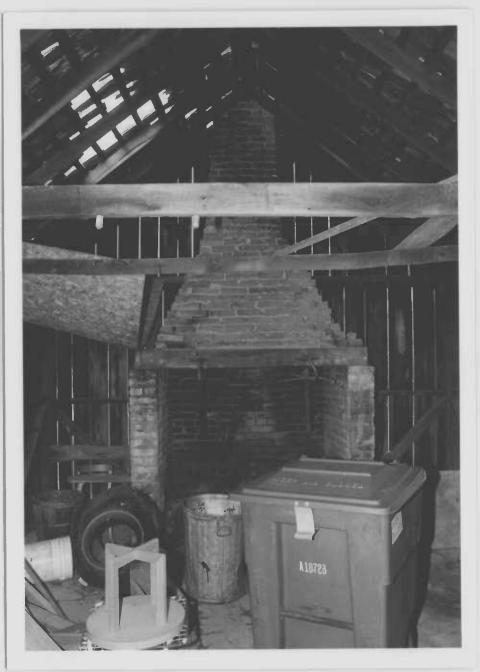
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